

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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is part of the gram-negative bacterial genome.

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28. (New) The process of claim 20 or 21, wherein the isolated DNA sequence comprising the *lsgG* is contained in a vector.
29. (New) The process of claim 20 or 21, wherein the bacteria are *Salmonella minnesota*.

REMARKS

Claims 23-29 are added. Claims 6-8, 11-12 and 18-29 are pending.

New claim 23 is supported, for example, by the specification at page 7, lines 12-15.

New claim 24 is supported, for example, by the specification at page 7, lines 19-21.

New claim 25 is supported, for example, by the specification at page 7, lines 12-15.

New claim 26 is supported, for example, by the specification at page 7, lines 11-12.

New claim 27 is supported, for example, by the specification at page 8, lines 6-14.

New claim 28 is supported, for example, by Example 3 of the specification.

New claim 29 is supported, for example, by the specification at page 2, lines 26-30.

I. The 35 U.S.C. § 112 Second Paragraph Rejections of the Claims

In the Office Action mailed March 13, 2002, the Examiner rejected claims 6-8, 11-12, 18-19 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, alleging that those claims were indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. In the Advisory Action mailed August 20, 2002, the Examiner withdrew the rejection of claims 6-8 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph and stated that if the unentered amendment filed on July 22, 2002 were entered, the Examiner would also withdraw the rejection of claims 11-12, 18-19, and 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Applicant filed a Continued Prosecution Application on September 11, 2002 which included a request to enter the July 22, 2002 amendment. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims conform with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Thus, the Examiner is respectfully requested to also withdraw the rejection of claims 11-12, 18-19, and 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112,